

REMARKS

Claim 10 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, as containin subject matter which is not described in the specification in such a way as to enable one skilled in the art to make and/or use the invention. The phrase E/Z isomers is said to not be enabled or described in the specification.

The amendment of claim 10 obviates this rejection.

Claim 10 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to point out and distinctly claim the subject matter applicant regards as the invention. The Examiner states that the final product of formula (III) does not have tautomers, and that the term "heteocyclyl" is not enabled so as to determine the metes and bounds of the invention. The phrase "in the presence of a base" is also said to be indefinite.


The amendment of claim 10 also obviates these rejections under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph.

Applicants submit that Claim 10, as currently amended, is now in condition for allowance. Early and favorable issuance of a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

Amendments have been made to the specification to correct typographical errors, as required.

Respectfully submitted,

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